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Madison, Wisconsin -- Erik C. Peterson, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Larry Steward, DOB 05/05/1981, of Beloit, Wisconsin, was sentenced today by U.S. District Judge John C. Shabaz to 24 years in prison, without the possibility of parole, for distributing 1.98 kilograms of crack cocaine in the Beloit area from the fall of 2005 through May 2006.

Steward and 22 other individuals were indicted on May 10, 2006, for their involvement in the distribution of narcotics in Rock County.

The charges against Steward were the result of an investigation conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Beloit Police Department, the Janesville Police Department, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, the State Line Area Narcotics Team (SLANT), the Drug Enforcement Administration, and the Wisconsin Department of Justice, Division of Criminal Investigation-Narcotics Bureau. The prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Rita M. Rumbelow.

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